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STARSLAYER TRADE PAPERBACK

Before *The Longbow Hunters*, before **Jon Sable Freelance**, bestselling writer/artist **Mike Grell** created the swashbuckling space pirate called Starslayer. Now First Comics presents Iron Mike's centuries-spanning epic complete in one deluxe, all-color volume.

Starslayer: The Log of the Jolly Roger collects the first six issues of the original, hard to find Pacific Comics series, chronicling the adventures of Torin MacQuillon, an ancient Celtic warrior propelled into the future on an impossible mission to save the universe — but at a terrible cost to the planet Earth.

Starslayer: The Log of the Jolly Roger. Written and illustrated by **Mike Grell**. 160 pages. Perfect bound. All-color. $9.95. Shipping the third week in February.

Nexus/Badger Crossover

Badger, America's number one psycho returns to the pages of **Nexus** for a rollicking six-part adventure beginning in **Nexus** #45, and culminating in a special double-sized fiftieth anniversary issue.

Nexus and Judah embark on a mission to save the solar system from gravity well — an experimental black hole that has gone out of control. On the precipice of the universe they encounter Badger, who joins them on a voyage beyond the fringes of the known universe to the mysterious bowl-shaped world in search of the one creature who can bend black holes to his will.

Ripped from his own space and time, the Badger's already psychotic personna unravels even further in a world where even Nexus is powerless to control him. And if you thought he was crazy before...

Nexus #45, by **Mike Baron** and **Steve Rude**, ships the first week in February.

Whisper Goes Monthly

Creator/writer **Steven Grant** is joined by new artist **Spyder** for the new monthly adventures of **Whisper**, starting with a hard-hitting, three-part story about a battered woman fleeing a charismatic manipulator.

Always known for its controversial and contemporary themes, Whisper has garnered both critical acclaim and strong public reaction, as evidenced by the furor over a recent storyline involving Nicaraguan Contra hit squads. Writer **Steven Grant** says, "I've always drawn my facts from newspapers and books . . . which is why it's a very political book and will continue to be so.

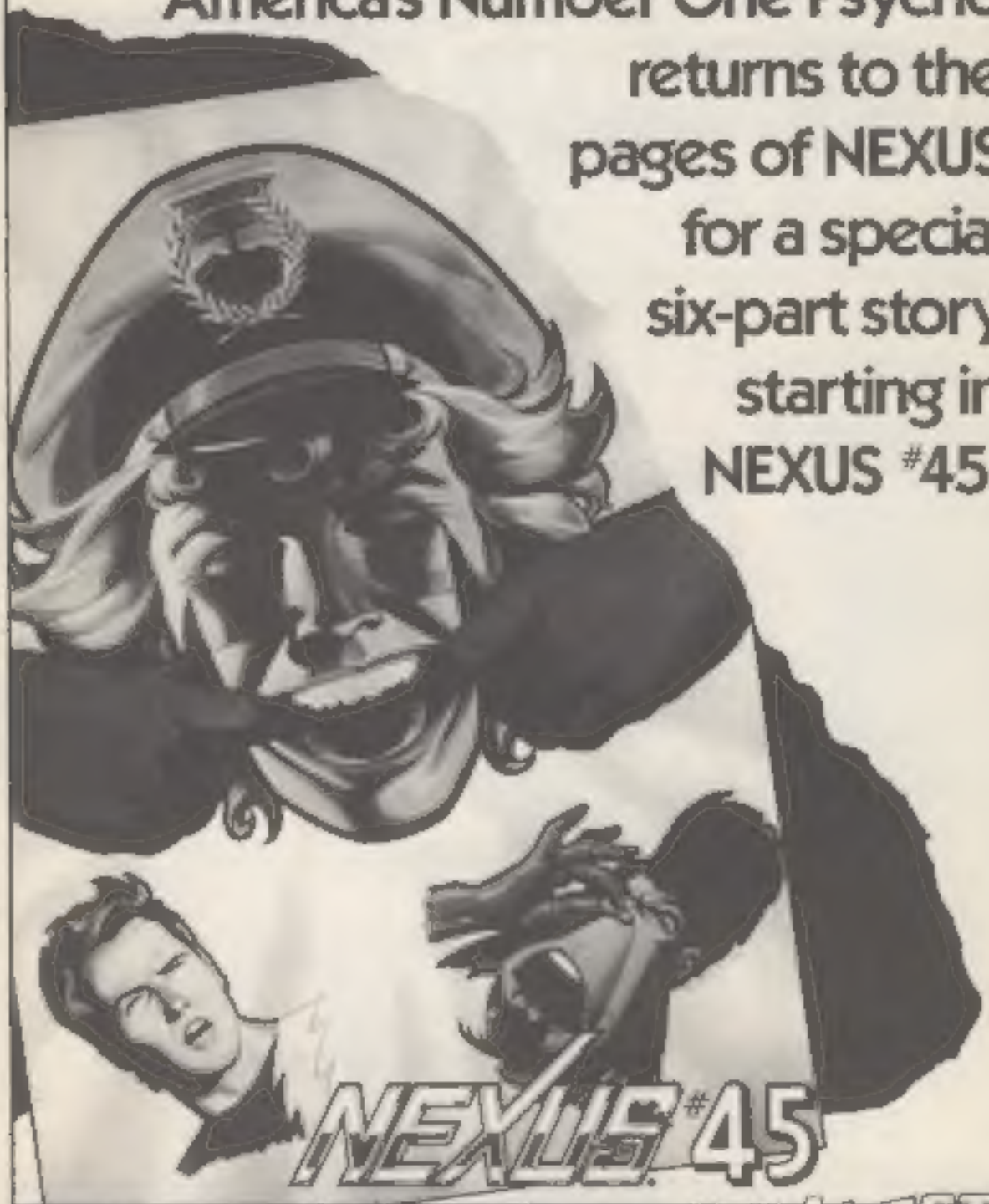
"And if you thought the Contra story was controversial, you should see what's coming..."

Whisper #13, by **Steven Grant** and **Spyder**, ships the second week in February.

Eddy Current visits Munden's Bar in Grimjack this month!

A BADGER GRAPHIC NOVEL WASN'T ENOUGH!

America's Number One Psycho returns to the pages of NEXUS for a special six-part story starting in NEXUS #45.



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Shipping January 29

Lone Wolf and Cub #10: Ogami helps two children regain their family honor. By **Kazuo Koike** and **Goseki Kojima**. Cover and introduction by **Frank Miller**. 64 pages. Perfect bound. Black-and-white. $2.50. Note: Contains brief nudity.

Badger #36: A big bad wolf, a big bad bully, some big bad blades, and a totally crazed Badger in the legend of the "Dire Wolf." By **Mike Baron** and **Ron Lim**. Cover by **Mike Zack**. $1.75.

Nexus #45: Nexus, Judeh and Badger return to the bowl-shaped world on a mission to save the solar system. The begining of a special six-part crossover. By **Mike Baron** and **Steve Rude**. $1.75.

Shipping February 5

Grimjack #47: The secret behind the powers of Lord Phaeton are revealed, and a new Protector is created to defend Cynosure against the Dancer's Demons. By **John Ostrander** and **Tom Mandrake**. Plus **Ted McKeever** and **Eddy Current** visit Munden's Bar! $1.75.

Psychoblast #8: Anomaly is put on ice, D.S.X. Machina buries the New Order, and Psychoblast becomes a casualty of "Dedric's War." By **Steven Grant**, **Robb Phipps** and **Al Vey**. $1.75.

Whisper #13: Now monthly! An old acquaintance asks Diana to protect a battered woman fleeing from "The Wild, the Beautiful, and the Damned." By **Steven Grant** and new artist **Spyder**. $1.75.

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Howard Chaykin's American Flagg! #2: Arriving in Berlin with the Skullcrushers, Reuben promptly gets himself framed and placed under arrest, while back in Chicago, Flagg attempts to govern Illinois via pre-recorded videotape, and Mandy and Grace finally settle their differences. By **Howard Chaykin, Mindy Newell, Mike Vosburg, Richard Ory, John Moore, Tony Van de Walle** and **Ken Bruzenak**. $1.75.

Starslayer: The Log of the Jolly Roger: Join Torin MacCullion and the crew of the Jolly Roger on their centuries-spanning epic. Now complete in one deluxe all-color volume! Written and illustrated by **Mike Grell**. 160 pages. $9.95.

Shipping February 19

Elric: The Vanishing Tower #5: The "Three Who Are One" meet as Elric, Corum and Erekose combine forces to do battle in the Vanishing Tower. By **Roy Thomas, Jan Duursema,** and **Nicholas Koenig**. Bi-monthly series. $1.75.

Hawkmoon: The Runestaff #1: Hawkmoon reaches the fabled city of the Runestaff as the fourth book in the saga of Dorian Hawkmoon begins. By **Roger Salick** and **Rafael Kayanan**. Bi-monthly series. $1.75.

Sable #4: An old enemy of Sable's is out for revenge, and a woman from Jon's past is out to make her own reputation as a manhunter. By **Marv Wolfman, Bill Jaaska** and **Ralph Cabrera**. $1.75.

The final volume in *The History of the Runestaff* begins to unfold this month in

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